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Applicant: William Michael Lafferty  
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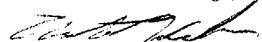
**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed July 16, 2002, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I, consisting of Claims 1-10, drawn to an apparatus comprising a plurality of capillaries, classified in class 422, subclass 68.1.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

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Respectfully submitted,

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